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Members,

This morning, the enhanced Integrated Command Centre (ICC) came under a Unified Command model and is made up of the Ottawa Police Service (OPS), Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP). This command structure includes both strategic and operational branches.

The Strategic Unified Command provides oversight and support to those running the operation. They are A/Deputy Chief Trish Ferguson, OPP Deputy Commissioner Chris Harkins and RCMP Deputy-Commissioner Mike Duheme.

The Operational Unified Command is now a 24/7 operation with daytime and nighttime Unified Command teams.

Daytime Team:

OPS—Supt. Rob Bernier
OPP—Insp. Dave Springer
RCMP—Supt. Phil Lue

Nighttime Team:

OPS—Supt. Paul Burnett
OPP—Insp. Mike Francis
RCMP—*To be determined*

As the police of jurisdiction, the OPS remains the lead of this operation to return Ottawa to a state of normalcy. Together, we have developed a clear and actionable plan to bring about a safe and peaceful end to the unlawful protests underway in downtown Ottawa.

As you may have already seen, we are warning demonstrators that now is the time to leave.

We are notifying demonstrators and the general public that anyone blocking streets, or assisting others in the blocking streets, is committing a criminal offence and may be arrested and charged.

Over the last few days, the ICC has developed strategies to deal with all possible scenarios. We will be focused on the safety of the public, demonstrators and police. All of our plans and actions will be lawful and in line with the Charter of Rights and Freedoms.

We are committed to peacefully ending this unlawful protest.

Rob

Updated Messaging to Demonstrators as of February 16, 2022

We want to inform you that under provincial and federal legislation, you will face severe penalties if you do not cease further unlawful activity and remove your vehicle and/or property immediately from all unlawful protest sites.

- You may be arrested and charged with criminal offences including but not limited to mischief, and potentially charged with a variety of other non-criminal offences.
- Your vehicle and property may be seized or removed.
- Your driver’s licence may be suspended or cancelled.
- CVOR (Commercial Vehicle Operator’s Registration) certificates may be suspended or cancelled.
- Your personal or business bank accounts, including virtual currency, may be subject to examination and restriction.
- If you bring a minor (a person under 18) with you to an unlawful protest site, you may be charged and fined up to \$5000 and/or potentially spend up to five years in prison.
- Those who are delivering fuel and other supplies to those taking part in the unlawful demonstration can be charged.

- Persons traveling to any other unlawful protest sites to participate in or support the unlawful demonstration can be charged.
- Be aware that legislation now prohibits interference with any critical infrastructure including 400-series highways, railways, airports and international border crossings.

Nous tenons à vous aviser qu'en vertu des lois provinciales et fédérales, vous vous exposez à de graves sanctions si vous ne cessez pas vos activités illégales et ne retirez pas immédiatement vos véhicules et vos biens de tous les sites de manifestations illégales.

- Vous pourrez être arrêté et accusé d'infractions criminelles, notamment de méfait, et possiblement inculpé d'autres infractions non-criminelles.
- Votre véhicule et vos biens pourront être saisis ou enlevés.
- Votre permis de conduire pourra être suspendu ou annulé.
- Les certificats d'immatriculation d'utilisateur de véhicule utilitaire (CIUVU) pourront être suspendus ou annulés.
- Vos comptes bancaires personnels ou d'entreprise, y compris la monnaie virtuelle, pourront faire l'objet d'un examen et être soumis à des restrictions.
- Si vous amenez avec vous un mineur (personne âgée de moins de 18 ans) sur les lieux d'une manifestation illégale, vous pourriez être inculpé et passible d'une amende pouvant atteindre 5000\$ ou d'une peine de prison allant jusqu'à cinq ans.
- Ceux qui livrent du carburant et autres provisions à ceux qui participent à la manifestation illégale pourront être inculpés.
- Les personnes se rendant sur les lieux de toute manifestation illégale pour y participer ou pour l'appuyer pourront être inculpées.
- Sachez que la législation interdit actuellement d'entraver les infrastructures essentielles, notamment les autoroutes de la série des 400, les chemins de fer, aéroports et postes frontaliers internationaux.

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